

El Rancho Verde MAC Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 11 2005

Council Members Present:

Robb Bourland	Joe Ayala
Lacy Kendall	Bedalia Valdez-Bovin

Meeting was called to order at 7pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

Motion was made to amend the minutes of the previous meeting to reflect that Robb Bourland was not present. The motion was seconded and all were in favor. The minutes were accepted as amended.

Reports

Amber Tiedgen – Field Representative

Ms. Tiedgen reported that Lisha Smith will be the new Field Representative for El Rancho Verde. Ms. Smith will begin working the week of October 17, 2005 and will be present at the next MAC meeting. Ms. Tiedgen also announced that she has been promoted to Field Representative for Bloomington and Dan Flores will be replacing her as MAC Secretary.

Julie Hernandez – Code Enforcement

Ms. Hernandez gave a presentation on Animal Density. Ms. Hernandez explained that Code Enforcement is responsible for regulating domestic animal zoning. Generally speaking, the quantity and size of animals allotted per parcel is depended upon the size of the lot. Ms. Hernandez passed out a sheet detailing the various regulations regarding domestic animals. She encouraged the community to contact Code Enforcement if they have any questions. Code Enforcement is a complaint-based only agency so she urged community members to call regarding any violations. Some common violations in the area of Rialto include illegal businesses, such as restaurants and auto repair shops. Ms. Hernandez took questions from the floor.

Butch Araiza, General Manager – West Valley Water District

Mr. Araiza gave an overview of the current issues affecting the El Rancho Verde area. Mr. Araiza explained that one of West Valley's primary concerns is perchlorate cleanup. While perchlorate is an issue Mr. Araiza assured the community that West Valley Water District supplies clean, safe drinking water. Future goals of West Valley Water include updating the pipes in and around El Rancho Verde.

Subcommittee Reports

Councilmember Ayala – Median Issue

Councilmember Ayala presented an estimated budget to maintain the north side median similar to the south side. The cost to improve and maintain the median would require every homeowner in El Ranch Verde to pay a one-time fee of \$900.00 and approximately \$10 per month thereafter. This estimate does not include supplemental funding from other agencies, such as the County of San Bernardino, and is subject to change based upon the number of contributing residents. The MAC then opened the floor to questions and comments from the public. Councilman Ayala circulated a poll sheet requesting the community to vote for one of the following options:

1. Do nothing

2. Maintain the median ourselves
3. Annex with the city of Rialto
4. Form a Special District within the county

The ballots were tallied and the majority of the votes were in favor of forming a Special District. Chairman Bourland then entertained a motion to recommend to the Supervisor the formation of an El Rancho Verde Special District. The motion was seconded. All were in favor.

Councilmember Valeds-Bovin reported on the issue of inconsistent street addresses within El Rancho Verde. At various points the street address change from County issued numbers to City issued numbers. The MAC suggested looking into the possibility of having the city street numbers changed to coincide with the County system.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm to the next MAC meeting scheduled for November 8, 2005

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